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In compliance with Rules 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under Rule 1.56, it is respectfully requested that the references listed on the accompanying enclosed Form PTO-SB08a be made of record and considered with respect to the above-referenced U.S. patent application.

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In order to facilitate the resolution of any issues or questions presented by this paper, the Examiner may directly contact the undersigned by phone to further the discussion.

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